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SUBJECT:PROPOSED FMS SALES OF FAMILY HOUSING UNITS AND
30 MEGAWATT POWER PLANT TO SAG

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1. RE PARA 5 REFTTEL, CONGRESS WAS PROVIDED FORMAL CERTIFICATIONS ON APRIL 25 REGARDING THE PROPOSED LETTERS OF OFFER FOR THE SALE OF FAMILY HOUSING UNITS AND A 30 MEGAWATT POWER PLANT TO THE SAG. IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 36(B) OF THE ARMS EXPORT CONTROL ACT, AS AMENDED, THE QUOTE LETTER OF OFFER SHALL NOT BE ISSUED IF THE CONGRESS, WITHIN THIRTY CALENDAR DAYS AFTER RECEIVING SUCH UNCLASSIFIED

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CERTIFICATION, ADOPTS A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION STATING THAT IT OBJECTS TO THE PROPOSED SALE UNQUOTE.

2. FOLLOWING ARE THE PERTINENT PARAGRAPHS OF AN UNCLASSIFIED POLICY JUSTIFICATION WHICH ACCOMPANIED THE CERTIFICATION TO THE CONGRESS RE THE FAMILY HOUSING UNITS:
QUOTE THE PROPOSED LETTER OF OFFER VALUED AT \$121.0

MILLION IS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF HOUSING FOR SAUDI
MILITARY PERSONNEL STATIONED AT THE EXISTING KHAMIS
MILITARY CANTONMENT WHICH IS LOCATED IN SOUTHWESTERN

SAUDI ARABIA NEAR THE YEMEN ARAB REPUBLIC BORDER. THE
PRESENT FACILITIES PROVIDE ONLY A LIMITED NUMBER OF HOUSES
FOR SELECTED COMMISSIONED AND NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS.
THIS NEW PROJECT WOULD PROVIDE A REASONABLE NUMBER OF
FAMILY HOUSING UNITS THEREBY PROVIDING IMPROVED LIVING
FACILITIES FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL STATIONED IN THE KHAMIS
MUSHAYT AREA.

THIS CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM IS AN INTEGRAL PART OF A
SAUDI PLAN TO RECRUIT AND RETAIN QUALIFIED PERSONNEL IN THE
ARMED FORCES. THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION IS TO BE
ACCOMPLISHED UNDER THE MANAGEMENT OF THE US ARMY CORPS
OF ENGINEERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ENGINEERING
ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT SIGNED BY THE SAUDI GOVERNMENT IN
1965. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT ONE US MILITARY AND 10 US
CIVILIAN PERSONNEL WILL BE STATIONED IN SAUDI ARABIA TO
MONITOR THIS PROJECT.UNQUOTE

3. FOLLOWING ARE THE PERTINENT PARAGRAPHS OF AN UN-
CLASSIFIED POLICY JUSTIFICATION WHICH ACCOMPANIED THE
CERTIFICATION TO THE CONGRESS RE THE 30 MEGAWATT POWER
PLANT: QUOTE THE PROPOSED LETTER OF OFFER VALUED AT \$30.0
MILLION IS FOR A 30 MEGAWATT POWER PLANT TO SUPPLEMENT
EXISTING GENERATING CAPACITY AT TABUK. THIS ADDITIONAL
GENERATING CAPACITY WILL BE USED TO SUPPORT THE EXPANSION
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OF FACILITIES AT THE TABUK CANTONMENT. IN ADDITION TO
TRAINING, SAUDI MILITARY UNITS AT TABUK ARE ALSO RE-
SPONSIBLE FOR PROTECTING THE MAIN NORTHERN ROUTE TO THE
HOLY PLACES AT MECCA AND MEDINA.

TO THE EXTENT THAT ADEQUATE ELECTRICAL POWER IS
AVAILABLE AT THE TABUK CANTONMENT, THE BASE CAN BE MORE
EFFECTIVELY UTILIZED AS A TRAINING FACILITY BY THE SAUDI
ARMED FORCES.

THE PROPOSED DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THIS POWER
PLANT WOULD BE PROVIDED UNDER TERMS OF THE ENGINEERING
ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT OF 1965 ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE
GOVERNMENT OF SAUDI ARABIA AND THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS.
IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT FOUR USG CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES WILL BE
STATIONED IN SAUDI ARABIA TO MONITOR CONSTRUCTION OF THIS
PROJECT. UNQUOTE

4. AS APPROPRIATE, EMBASSY MAY INFORM HOST GOVERNMENT

OF THIS CERTIFICATION.

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